

FIRE LANES-

Designation: The fire official shall require and designate public or private fire lanes as deemed necessary for the efficient and effective operation of fire apparatus. Fire lanes shall have a minimum width of 20 feet.

Obstructions: Designated fire lanes shall be maintained free of obstructions and vehicles and shall be identified in an approved manner.

Maintenance: All designated fire lane signs or markings shall be maintained in a clean and legible condition at all times and replaced when necessary to ensure adequate visibility.

ADDITIONS TO FIRE LANE CODE-

- (a) Action for the establishment of a fire lane may be initiated by the fire official or by the written request of an owner or his agent.
 - (b) All fire lane information proposed shall be shown on a site plan in accordance with this section. The fire official shall be contacted during a project's design phase to discuss the appropriate areas for fire lane designation.
 - (c) Fire lanes must have an on-site final inspection before an Occupancy Permit is issued.
 - (d) Maintenance of fire lanes shall be the responsibility of the property owner. Fire lanes shall not be altered or deleted without the written permission from the fire official.
 - (e) Fire lanes shall be marked with both signs and curb delineation.
- A. SIGNAGE SPECIFICATIONS:
- 1. Metal construction; 12" x 18"
 - 2. Red letters on reflective white background with 3/8" red trim strip around entire outer edge of sign.
 - 3. Lettering on sign to be "NO PARKING OR STANDING - FIRE LANE". Refer to plate 1-1.
 - 4. Lettering size to be as follows:
 - a. NO PARKING or STANDING - 2"
 - b. OR - 1"
 - c. FIRE LANE - 2 1/2"
 - d. Arrows 1" x 6" solid shaft with solid head 1 1/2" wide and 2" deep.
 - 5. Signs are to be mounted 6' from the ground surface to the bottom of the sign unless otherwise directed by the fire official.
 - 6. Posts for the signs, when required, shall be metal and securely mounted unless written permission for alternatives is obtained from the fire official prior to installation.

7. Signs shall be posted at the beginning and the end of all designated fire lanes and spaced a minimum of 25' apart and a maximum of 100' apart when needed.
8. Short islands require curb marking and one sign.
9. Yellow stripes and/or complete hash marks may be required for the 20' fire lane.

B. CURB DESIGNATION:

1. Fire lanes designated by the code official shall be painted with VDOT highway traffic grade yellow paint.
2. All fire lane curbs shall be painted with "NO PARKING FIRE LANE TOW ZONE"
3. Letters to be a minimum of 4" and painted black.
4. Curb fire lane markings shall be located at the beginning, end, and every 25'. Refer to plate 1-2.
5. Short islands require curb marking and one sign.

PLATE 1-1

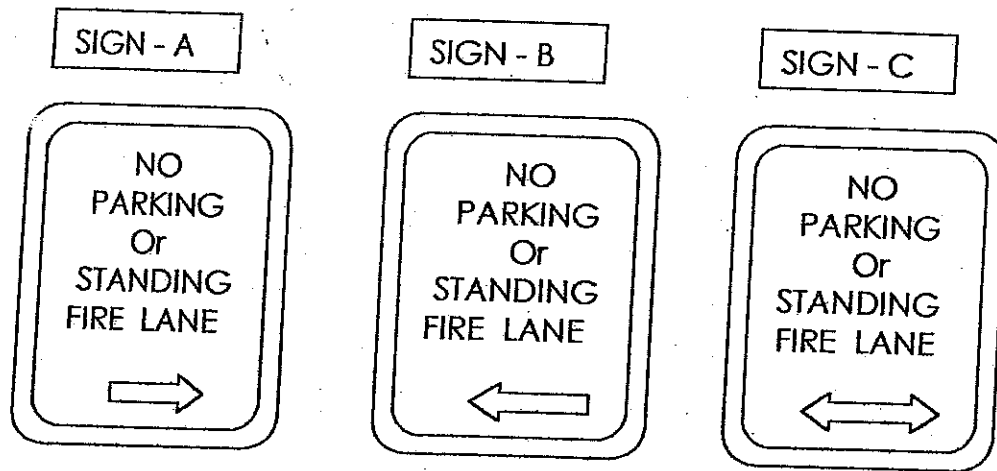


PLATE 1-2

TYPICAL CURB MARKINGS IN BLACK WITH VDOT HIGHWAY
YELLOW PAINTED CURBS

NO PARKING FIRE LANE TOW ZONE